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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT BIDEN MEETS WITH PRIME MINISTER BOC

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Classified By: Ambassador Mark A. Gitenstein for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

¶1. (C) SUMMARY. Vice President Joseph Biden met with Interim Prime Minister Emil Boc on October 22, 2009. The Romanian Prime Minister and ¶2. (C) On October 22, Vice President Biden met with Interim Prime Minister Boc at the Prime Minister's office. Biden's delegation consisted of U.S. Commitment to Europe

¶3. (C) The Vice President began the discussion by explaining that he had chosen Romania as the platform for sending a message to all of Ce Romanian Contributions to NATO

¶4. (C) In response to Boc's comment that Romanians are proud to say that American soldiers are serving under Romanian command, Biden congratulated Romanian Political/Economic Situation

¶5. (C) Boc assured the Vice President that, in spite of the current political situation (reftel), the Romanian Government is stable and that it Business Environment

¶6. (C) The Prime Minister stated that Romania would like U.S. support in attracting additional American investment, proposing that a Romanian-Consular Issues

¶7. (C) Boc asked what the GOR could do to help achieve the goal of admittance into the visa waiver program. Biden said that he would love to s

¶8. (C) The Prime Minister told the Vice President that the Government has drafted legislation that would allow for more flexibility on future Property Fund

¶9. (C) Gitenstein asked Boc about the status of the Property Fund, especially on the reason for the delay in appointing a new fund manager. Gi

¶10. (U) The Vice President did not have the opportunity to clear this cable.

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